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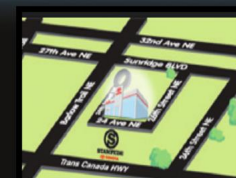
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Christmas. Lights



► Roz Freeman of the Calgary Zoo puts the finishing touch on one of the many Zoolights creatures around the zoo yesterday.

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Lighting up the zoo

Final preparations are being made for the Calgary Zoo's annual Zoolights — featuring tens of thousands of Christmas lights around the zoo grounds. Zoolights will be open to the public starting tomorrow.

U of C club's stance on rape stirs debate

► University debate group had planned to argue in favour of holding women somewhat accountable for sexual assault



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Student outcry led to the cancellation of an event at the University of Calgary next week where some debaters planned to take a highly controversial stance on the subject of rape.

The University of Calgary Debate Society posted an advertisement for the event on Facebook earlier this month, stating its position on the topic of discussion "would hold women partially accountable for rape prevention."

One day later, after fielding numerous comments from concerned and angry students, the posting was removed and the event cancelled.

Discussion

- Plans are being made for a formal panel discussing sexual abuse in the coming weeks at the University of Calgary.
- Calgary police estimate more than 90 per cent of sexual assaults go unreported.

The society's training co-ordinator Pardeep Dhaliwal chalked the controversy up to "poor wording."

"People do often debate things they don't necessarily believe in," he added.

The debate event was originally planned in conjunction with the Calgary Sexual Assault Voices, offering the alternative take on their recently released Don't

Be That Guy campaign. That initiative, which utilizes graphic advertisements to make its point, aims to take all blame off victims.

"The debate is happening out there anyway," said Danielle Aubry with Calgary Communities Against Sexual Abuse, who commended the debate society on its initiative despite the fact it directly contravenes her group's position. "They maybe could have done the flip, focused on the more positive message."

Matt Dtelijan with the U of C Students' Union said executive members approved the event initially but were not aware of the stance being taken by the society.

"You could say I was pretty concerned," he said. "I think they inevitably made the right decision."



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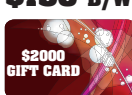
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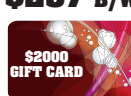
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Council puts the kibosh on cuts

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Attempts to trim the budget further were quickly squashed by the majority of council yesterday as council made its way through Day 3 of budget talks.

Ald. Andre Chabot proposed multiple cuts to the city's parks department in what he says was an effort to bring the tax hike closer to five per cent.

Following council's approval of police funding Tuesday, the tax hike now sits around 6 per cent.

"I'm trying to get it back down to a reasonable number," he said. "I guess there's a perception that there was no more room to cut."

Ald. Gord Lowe said he expects the tax rate to continue to rise to around eight per cent in 2012 as issues such as transit and snow clearing are brought up.

"I cannot support cuts to the transit budget at all," he said.

"Other aldermen have concerns."

Chabot said many of his colleagues don't understand the repercussions of adding even a few dollars per month to the average property-tax bill.

"I guess, if you have a lot of money, it's not hard to understand spending more, but when you don't have any money, it's hard to justify spending more."



► Classes were cancelled at J.T. Foster High School in Nanton after gusting winds peeled the roof off a portion of the building.

Wind shears roof off Nanton high school

► Environment Canada ended the wind warning for the City of Calgary yesterday at 3:12 p.m. ► Wind gusts reached 80 km/h in the city

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Fierce winds in southern Alberta tore part of the roof off a Nanton high school yesterday.

No one was injured at J.T. Foster School, and students and staff were sent home for the day.

"It was like someone was peeling back a bed sheet," Cpl. Warren

Wright, RCMP spokesman, said of the gusts.

The wind lifted the roof around 10 a.m., while students were in school, but most of the damage occurred in the Industrial Arts section of the school.

In a statement, the Livingstone Range School Division (LRSD) said structural engineers from Calgary were on scene to determine the safety of the building.

Wind, school facts

- Winds gusted to over 100 km/h in the Nanton and Claresholm area yesterday.
- J.T. Foster teaches Grades 7 to 12.
- About 200 students attend the school.

Superintendent of the LRSD, Ellie Elliott, said it had been too dangerous for

a roofer to go up yesterday and they would go on the roof today, pending further weather developments.

There was no word on when classes would resume.

The RCMP also cautioned against travel in the area as the high winds have also overturned a number of vehicles on Highway 2.

The driver of one overturned semi-trailer suffered minor injuries.

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Sober reality: Part 2 of 3

- With the introduction of strengthened impaired-driving legislation in Alberta this week, Metro explores the culture behind drunk-driving convictions and evaluates whether new penalties will have any impact
- Police say impaired-driving procedure is constantly changing and grants a great deal of freedom to accused



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Shock, self-interest and sympathy — the demeanour of drunk drivers is almost as varied as their lifestyles and backgrounds, say Calgary police.

During a recent behind-the-scenes look at the efforts of the Calgary police Check Stop unit, Metro witnessed first-hand the actions of local drivers facing penalties and Criminal Code charges for impaired driving.

"Two drinks," says Sgt. Joerg Gottschling. "Everybody says they have had two drinks — two might actually mean 12."

One roadside test conducted by the unit was on a mid-20s male who admitted to having had some alcohol at a local pub.

He was escorted to the back of an unmarked police cruiser for a roadside breath test.

The rules for the test are simple: Register an F, or fail, and police transport you back to a district office for further testing. An A indicates your blood-alcohol level is between the .05 and .08 range and you are dealt a 24-hour suspension (these penalties will be stiffened should the province's new impaired-driving legislation pass). Finally, if a number appears on the instrument, you are below .05 and will be allowed to drive away.

"You have got my heart racing, man," the driver says to the constable preparing the instrument.



► Drunk drivers will often try every trick in the book to delay a blood-alcohol test, say police.

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- **Yesterday:** Horrors of drunk driving stay vivid for police.
- **Tomorrow:** Critics say new impaired laws could actually harm fight against drunks.

The test is conducted, .046 is the reading. The relieved driver says he had no idea penalties were possible for such a low reading.

"Let this serve as a wake-up call for you," the constable replies.

Criminal defence lawyer Ian Savage, who routinely

takes on impaired-driving cases, admits some of his clients are unsure about laws surrounding impaired driving.

"There are all these urban myths about one drink an hour and stuff like that, which are not very accurate at all," he explained.

The next test subject blows a roadside fail and is detained for more testing. Upon arriving, he spends seven minutes in the bathroom and another 10 supposedly attempting to contact a lawyer — police say both moves are common stall tactics among

drivers hoping their blood-alcohol level will subside.

Finally, it's testing time. "I don't think I've had that much to drink," he mutters while approaching the breathalyzer.

The reading comes in at nearly double the legal limit.

The driver is charged but shows little remorse, instead repeatedly asking for his keys back. Police finally convince him a cab would be a better choice.

The final test of the night serves to validate concerns expressed by police over their six-hour Check Stop

Futile attempts

Some futile tactics used by impaired drivers hoping to thwart a blood-alcohol test:

- Eating or stuffing their mouth with various objects, like chewing gum, paper and coins.
- Taking a giant puff of a cigarette in the seconds prior to rolling the window.

- Vomiting or drinking inordinate amounts of water.
- Trying to offset the blood-alcohol testing device by routinely breathing in or putting their tongue over the spout.
- Officers routinely find abandoned cars up the road leading to where they are set up. Foot chases and alternative charges can result from these cases.

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► Sheldon Kennedy, seen in this undated photo, said he is encouraged that Calgarians appear more willing to bring cases of domestic abuse forward.

Child-abuse victims face long road back

► Police seeing more complex cases ► Case involving Calgary mom receiving international media attention



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Keeping busy and building relationships.

That's how Calgary's Sheldon Kennedy overcame his abuse-filled past at the hands of hockey coach Graham James.

But he admits the road back for victims isn't easy. "These kids enter life with eyes wide open," he said. "They see parents, adults in leadership positions that they trust, and when they are hurt by those individuals, they put walls up."

Sadly, Calgary police, including Chief Rick Hanson, have expressed concern that complicated child

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The Calgary Police Service child abuse unit is still working through more than 60 cases from last year.

abuse cases are on the rise.

Investigations involving children have been no stranger to Calgary headlines in recent weeks.

Police laid second-degree murder charges against Meredith Katharine Borowiec, 30, Tuesday, alleging she killed two of her own children in 2008 and 2009.

Last week, police also slapped her with an attempted murder charge

stemming from the discovery of a baby in a local dumpster last year.

As well, police continue to probe the death of a child who sustained serious injuries inside her Temple home earlier this month. Investigators have yet to publicly disclose whether the incident was accidental or criminal.

Staff Sgt. Kelly Campbell deemed the rise in cases "unexplainable," noting they involve citizens from all walks of life.

"They're so innocent, and they're unable to protect themselves," said child abuse Staff Sgt. Kelly Campbell. "That's the part that weighs on your mind and that's what drives the investigators."

Calgary company's listeria scare spreads to five provinces

A Calgary-based company that sells pre-cooked Asian foods is grappling with possible contamination from *Listeria* and has shut down its plant and recalled products in five provinces.

Ginger Beef Corp. said yesterday that it is working with retailers from British Columbia to Ontario to pull the affected foods from store shelves.

The company said it's issuing the warning as a precaution after detecting *Listeria monocytogenes* during a routine monthly inspection.

"Ginger Beef Corporation takes the safe preparation of our food products, and the health and safety of our customers, very seriously," said James Leung, vice-president of operations for Ginger Beef

Further measures

- Ginger Beef has also shut down its entire production line in Calgary to do a complete wash-down.
- And it's also working with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency to review its operations and ensure food handling safety.
- There have been no reported illnesses associated with the consumption of the Ginger Beef products, the CFIA says.

Choice Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the company.

"We follow all government requirements for food handling and have a comprehensive food safety program in place across our operations."

The dozens of recalled products include packages of ginger beef, pork dumplings, lemon chicken, sweet and sour pork, vegetable fried rice, chicken egg rolls and others. A full list is posted on the CFIA website.

The most recently recalled foods are sold in a variety of major grocery stores, and may be sold from clerk-service counters.

Consumers who aren't sure if they have the affected product should check with the store they bought it from, the CFIA said in a release.

A 2008 outbreak at a Maple Leaf Foods plant in Toronto caused 22 deaths, and many more people fell ill.

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Police board chair will return

The Calgary Police Commission will have a familiar face at the helm once again.

At Tuesday's meeting, the commission re-elected chair Mike Shaikh. Shaikh was first appointed to the commission in 2005 and elected to first term as chair in 2009.

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Edmonton to host the Brier

Edmonton has been awarded the 2013 Tim Hortons Brier to be held March 2-10 at Rexall Place.

Edmonton last hosted the Brier in 2005 when Tim Hortons began its sponsorship.

This year the chain extended its sponsorship agreement through 2014.

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Council dips into reserve

Council has begun dipping in to a rainy-day fund three days into budget deliberations, with more withdrawals expected to come. Yesterday, council approved withdrawing \$1.8 million from the Fiscal Stability Reserve (FSR) to prevent cuts to the parks maintenance budget.

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Meth discovered during RCMP stop

RCMP conducting a routine traffic stop near Chestermere uncovered 100 grams of methamphetamine and a number of other items early yesterday.

Officers pulled over a vehicle on Range Road

284 near Highway 1 around 2 a.m.

The driver of the vehicle, determined to already have outstanding warrants for his arrest, was taken into custody and charged along with his male passenger.

RCMP also seized electronic scales, baggies, cellphones, an imitation handgun, a small number of pills believed to be ecstasy and numerous tools used to break into homes.

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Unlucky break for lotto loser

Dave Johnston is kicking himself for pulling out of a lottery pool that's about to cash in a lucky ticket for \$30 million.

The steamfitting instructor at Red Deer College in central Alberta used to play regularly with plumbing teachers whom he sat with in the school's lunchroom every day.

But he pulled out over a year ago.

"It's hard to stay in," said Johnston, who added he kept putting in his cash but the pool wasn't winning big. He eventually decided it just wasn't going to happen.

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"And then it does."

Seven of the plumbers won last week's Lotto 6-49 jackpot of \$30 million.

Johnston said he was happy to learn his co-workers were new millionaires. And he offered them a quick proposal.

"I said, 'Well, if each of you give me a \$100,000 then I can retire too.'"

"I thought I'd throw it out there," Johnston said. "I didn't have any bites."

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Science scraps go to good use at auction



► Items such as the Van de Graaff generators (machines that make hair stand up) pictured in this file photo were sold during last weekend's auction.

- Event was held Saturday at the old Telus World of Science building
- Funds raised for the operating budget at the new Telus Spark



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A new home

- The new Telus Spark Science Centre is now open.
- According to a Telus Spark spokesperson, the total amount raised from the auction is expected to be tabulated later this week.

Hair-raising experiences and hands-on science education will now be available for campers and local students thanks to an auction held at the old science centre.

After a move from the Telus World of Science to the new Telus Spark, roughly 1,000 items ranging from office furniture to astronomy kits were put up for auction.

Local drama teacher Robb Sherman will probably score some points with students when he shows them the bed of nails he bought for his Grade 6 home room on Monday.

"If you ask kids what they remember about the old science centre, everybody remembers the bed of nails," he said. "I teach the most unique and amazing group of students so I thought why not have something unique and amazing for our class-

room."

Anna Garcia, director of operations at Easter Seals Camp Horizon, which hosts children and adults with disabilities, said it was the "best garage sale you could ever find."

For \$200, she said they were able to purchase three Mac computers equipped with advanced stargazing software as well as a Van de Graaff generator — the machine that makes hair stand up.

"For us, being a non-profit group with a limited budget, to be able to add to the fun toys and pieces that make our program special, it's really great to get in on something like this."

For some, a fond farewell

Some attendees of the auction didn't come to place a bid but rather to say goodbye to the

more-than-four-decade-old facility, according to Telus Spark spokesperson Megan Douglas.

"There were some people who came for a final walk-through of the building, so that was pretty heartwarming for us."

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With five children between the ages of nine months and seven years, Edmonton mother Amie Johnston and her husband use all the help they can get.

She credits her in-laws with helping to keep their home as well as clothes on their backs.

A report released yesterday proves her case that it's tough for many families out there, as child poverty has increased 40 per cent.

"It's hard to really think about it because we're all going through it in different ways," said Johnston, whose husband

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BILL MOORE-KILGANNON, PUBLIC INTEREST ALBERTA

is a government worker and university student.

The report, written by Edmonton Social Planning Council research co-ordinator John Kolkman, says there were 53,000 children living in poverty in 2008 and 73,000 in 2009, proving that many go without today, he said.

"For all Albertans and our provincial government, this report should be a very serious wake-up call," said Bill Moore-Kilgannon, with Public Interest Alberta.

Kolkman said a provincial child tax benefit "that

would parallel" the federal one "would be a very, very effective way to lift children out of poverty."

Other solutions Kolkman suggests include hiking minimum wage to at least \$10.25.

"We had it frozen for quite a while and that was an unfortunate thing," he said.

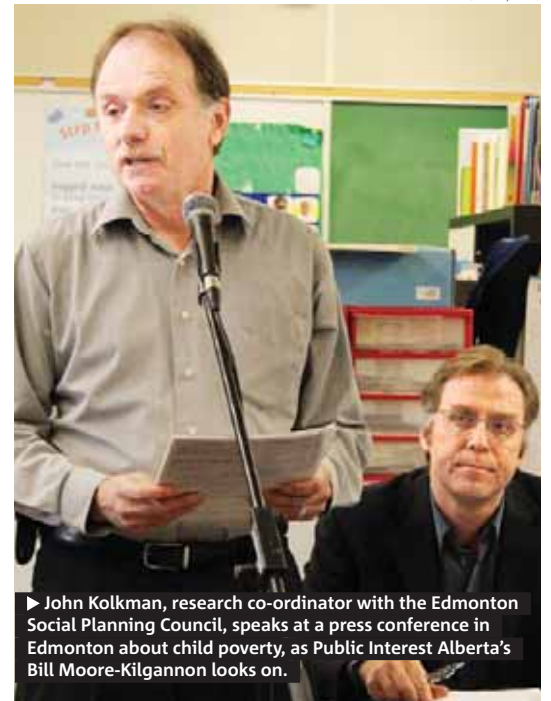
"As of Nov. 1, we have the dubious distinction of having the lowest minimum wage of the country."

Overall, said Kolkman, the goal should be to create an overall comprehen-

Hard life

- Of the children living below the low-income cut-off, 47 per cent are part of families that work full-time hours.
- One in four employed Albertans earns less than \$15 per hour.
- Poverty increased from 3.4 per cent to eight per cent for two-parent households, while 16 per cent of single-parent families are in poverty.
- The report was a joint effort between the ESPC, Public Interest Alberta and the Alberta College of Social Workers.

sive poverty reduction strategy, something seven other provinces have.



► John Kolkman, research co-ordinator with the Edmonton Social Planning Council, speaks at a press conference in Edmonton about child poverty, as Public Interest Alberta's Bill Moore-Kilgannon looks on.

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Take a chance on the chinook, city doc says

► Pain theory blown away ► Warm weather can help you, says Dr. Cory



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The pain you feel during a chinook may just be in your head, says a Calgary doctor.

Dr. Cory Toth has unveiled a study that shows chinooks can actually help to ease neuropathic pain.

"Most patients' pain improved during warmer weather and got worse when temperatures dropped," said Toth, research director of the Calgary Chronic Pain Centre Clinic at Foothills Medical Centre and a neurosciences professor with the University of Calgary's

Hotchkiss Brain Institute.

"I am encouraging patients to get out in the chinooks, be active and not fear them."

Toth studied patients who suffer from conditions like sciatica, pinched nerves or nerve pain associated with diabetes.

But the study does not ring true for all neuropathic pain sufferers.

Val Shaw-Lewis, founder and past-president of the Calgary Neuropathy Association, said her pain has definitely increased with the recent string of warmer weather.

"My feet feel as if they are encased in concrete," said Shaw-Lewis.



► Dr. Cory Toth, research director of the Calgary Chronic Pain Centre Clinic, tests Val Shaw-Lewis's pain levels.

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SIX HEISTS

Robber had busy night, say cops

Calgary police believe one man has robbed six local establishments since late Tuesday night.

The mystery man may also be responsible for three other heists earlier this month, police believe.

Three 7-Elevens in the deep southeast, two

Petro-Canada gas stations in the northeast and the Grower Direct Flower Shop on Heritage Drive have been robbed since 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday, according to a release.

In each robbery, the offender approached the cashier with a knife and demanded money from the cash register.

The suspect is described as a white male, 25-40 years old with some facial hair. He may be driving a grey vehicle.

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Council OKs \$3.4M bill for off-leash doggie sites

Discussion of user fees for dog parks was quickly dismissed by council yesterday. Instead, additional dog parks were funded by

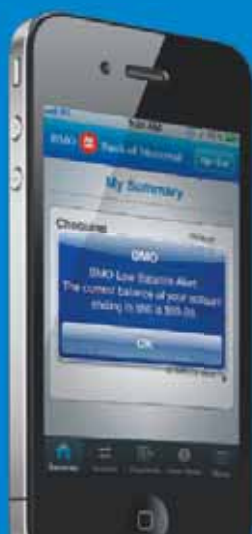
the city.

Ald. Gian-Carlo Carra suggested the city look at the possibility of charging dog owners an additional fee, likely to be tacked on to licensing, that would go toward dog parks.

Council did, however, approve \$3.4 million over the next three years to build 15 new off-leash sites.

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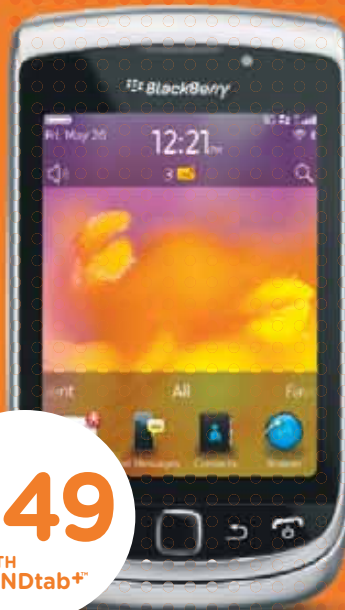
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Submerged-car girl tried suicide, court told

A court heard yesterday about the gruesome home life of a teenage girl allegedly killed by her family along with her two sisters.

Sahar Shafia confided in school and child protection authorities that she was being pressured to wear a hijab, the court in Kingston, Ont., was told.

She was also being shunned at home, so she

tried to kill herself, the court heard.

Shafia, then 16, told a school assistant principal her parents had barely spoken with her in the previous eight months.

She also said she was subject to verbal and physical abuse by her older brother, the assistant principal told court.

It was all too much, so she took some pills in a

► Sahar Shafia, in a photo released this week, said she had been "emotionally rejected" by her parents, a court heard.



suicide attempt, assistant principal Josee Fortin said.

"I had enough," she said Sahar told her. "I wanted to die."

The bodies of Sahar, 17, her sisters Zainab, 19, and Geeti, 13, along with the body of Rona Amir Mohammad, 50, one of their father's two wives, were found in a car submerged in a Kingston canal.

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Family on trial

- The parents, Tooba Mohammad Yahya, 41, and Mohammad Shafia, 58, and brother Hamed, 20, have pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder.
- When Sahar tried to kill herself, her mother said something to the effect of, if she wants to die, let her, the court heard.

Protesters feel the heat — and cold

► Toronto camp dismantled almost peacefully ► Snow gives Montreal campers the shivers

Occupy Toronto protesters bowed to the inevitable yesterday after a 39-day odyssey.

Scores of police and by-law officers armed with a court order moved into a downtown park to dismantle the Occupy camp.

It was reduced to a jumble of tarpaulins, tent poles and mud.

Meanwhile, the interaction between police and demonstrators remained cordial, even courteous.

One protester offered officers tulips. Another shook hands with police, thanking them for their restraint.

The end appeared to come as a relief to the shrinking number of activists. "It's really calm," said protester Katie Berger. "Everyone has planned for this."

But one woman was ar-

"I wish it was over. I'm tired."

A FORLORN YOUNG PROTESTER

rested. She went limp and was carried away. Two others were arrested to chants of "shame! shame!"

VANCOUVER

Police moved in early yesterday to dismantle a second Occupy site that sprang up after the initial site at the art gallery was deemed illegal and ordered removed.

MONTREAL

Occupy Montreal tents sagged under the weight of snow as the city faced its first major storm of the season.

Mayor Gerald Tremblay has asked the protesters to leave the site in Montreal's financial district. Organizers have said they have no plans to move.

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► Occupy Montreal campers get the cold, hard truth: Winter — and snow — can put protesting in a deep-freeze.

Occupy? It's a web of laughs

The Occupy protests have spawned all kinds of Internet fun.

The California cop who pepper-sprayed protesters is "Pepper Spraying Cop" online. A meme shows him pepper-spraying famous figures.

George Washington gets it. So does Jesus.

There have been other online pranks. One image of a cat bears a note: "I am the 99 percent."

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► People celebrate the signing by President Ali Abdullah Saleh of a document agreeing to step down after a long-running uprising to oust him from 33 years in power in Sanaa, Yemen, yesterday.

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YEMEN PRESIDENT AGREES TO STEP DOWN

Yemen's authoritarian President Ali Abdullah Saleh yesterday agreed to step down amid a fierce uprising to oust him. The U.S. and its powerful Gulf allies pressed for the deal, concerned that a security collapse in the impoverished Arab nation was allowing an active al-Qaida franchise to

gain a firmer foothold.

Saleh is the fourth Arab leader toppled in the wave of Arab Spring uprisings this year, after dictators fell in Tunisia, Egypt and Libya. The deal gives Saleh immunity from prosecution — contradicting a key demand of Yemen's opposition protesters.

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Egypt military faces world's condemnation

- UN official calls for prompt, impartial and independent investigation
- Brief truce falls apart as protesters battle police at Tahrir Square

International criticism of Egypt's military rulers mounted yesterday as police clashed for a fifth day with protesters demanding the generals relinquish power immediately. A rights group raised the death toll for the wave of violence to at least 38.

The United Nations strongly condemned authorities for what it deemed an excessive use of force. Germany, one of Egypt's top trading partners, called for a quick transfer of power to a civilian government. The U.S. and the UN secretary-general have already expressed their concern over the use

► An Egyptian protester using scrap metal as a shield takes cover from tear gas during clashes with security forces near Tahrir Square in Cairo yesterday.



of violence against mostly peaceful protesters.

Navi Pillay, the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, deplored the role of Egypt's security forces in attempting to suppress protesters.

"Some of the images coming out of Tahrir, including the brutal beating of already subdued protesters, are deeply shocking, as are the reports of unarmed protesters being shot in the head," Pillay said.

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Medvedev warns Moscow may opt out of START arms control deal

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Spokesman Tommy Vitor says the U.S. has been open and transparent with Moscow on its missile defence plans in Western Europe. The U.S. has repeatedly said those plans reflect a growing threat from Iran.

His comments follow Russian President Dmitry Medvedev's assertion yesterday that Russia would target the U.S. missile shield if Washington fails to assuage Moscow's concerns. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Tit for tat

- ▶ The U.S. plan calls for placing land- and sea-based radars and interceptors in European locations, including Romania and Poland, over the next decade and upgrading them over time.
- ▶ Medvedev warned that Moscow would deploy short-range Iskander missiles in Kaliningrad, a Baltic Sea region bordering Poland, and place weapons in other areas in Russia's west and south to target U.S. missile defence sites.

Italy. Mudslides



▶ Cars get stuck in the mud in Scarcelli Saponara, near Messina, southern Italy, yesterday.

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Rains batter eastern Sicily

Torrential rain battered eastern Sicily yesterday, and mudslides killed at least three people and have swept away cars and washed out bridges. A mudslide in the hamlet of Saponara killed a 10-year-old boy as his family fled their home. Much of Italy's terrain is landslide-prone, and many have built homes on steep hillsides in defiance of warnings by geologists.



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Anti-nuke anger flies off the rails

► Vehicles torched as protesters in France try to stop 'radioactive train'

The shadow of Japan's nuclear disaster loomed over violence in northern France yesterday.

Riot police fired tear gas at anti-nuclear protesters in a Normandy field and vehicles were set aflame.

Activists damaged a railway and delayed the departure of a train carrying recycled uranium to Germany.

"Stop This Radioactive Train," read banners waved by protesters.

The train finally left the depot at Valognes, but was expected to meet protests and resistance all along its journey from a nuclear waste processing site on the English Channel to a storage site in northern Germany.

Protesters point to the disaster at Japan's Fukushima

Europe's stance

► Chancellor Angela Merkel's government has decided to shut all Germany's nuclear plants by 2022.

► French President Nicolas Sarkozy has reiterated his commitment to nuclear power. France is more reliant on nuclear power than any other country, with the majority of its electricity coming from atomic reactors.

ma nuclear plant after a tsunami earlier this year as an urgent reason to abandon atomic power.

In Germany, police were preparing a big security operation to protect the nuclear waste shipment.

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► Riot police face protesters at a burning barricade in Normandy, France, yesterday. Anti-nuclear activists were trying to head off the departure of a train carrying recycled uranium to Germany.

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B.C. judge justifies polygamy law

- ▶ Judge upholds centuries-old ban on polygamy
- ▶ Says harms outweigh freedom-of-religion rights

Chief Justice Robert Bauman of the B.C. Supreme Court concluded yesterday that Canada's polygamy law is valid as long as it isn't used to prosecute child brides, and he suggested it should be interpreted that way.

"This case is essentially about harm.... This includes harm to women, to children, to society and to the institution of monogamous marriage," wrote Bauman.

"Polygamy's harm to society includes the critical fact that a great many of its individual harms are not specific to any particular religious, cultural or regional context. They can be generalized and expected to occur

"There can be no alternative to the outright prohibition. There is no such thing as so-called 'good polygamy.'"

CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERT BAUMAN,
B.C. SUPREME COURT

wherever polygamy exists."

Bauman's decision isn't binding, although the case is expected to end up at the Supreme Court of Canada, which would have the final say on Canada's polygamy law. George Macintosh, a lawyer appointed to oppose the law at the hearings, said he would likely launch such an appeal.

The case was prompted by more than two decades of controversy surrounding the isolated religious community of Bountiful, B.C., where residents follow a fundamentalist form of Mormonism that believes polygamy is required to attain the highest level of heaven.

The failed prosecution of two leaders from the community — Winston Blackmore and James Oler — set the stage for the current constitutional reference.

"I certainly don't plan on dropping my faith and running away," said Blackmore upon hearing the decision.

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▶ In this Oct. 19, 2011, file photo, from left: Johnny Mullet, Lester Mullet, Daniel Mullet, Levi Miller and Eli Miller wait to make their pleas in Holmes County Municipal Court in Millersburg, Ohio. The five men, along with reputed Amish breakaway sect leader Sam Mullet and Emanuel Shrock, were arrested early yesterday on federal hate-crime charges.

7 charged in Amish attacks

The leader of a breakaway Amish group allowed the beatings of those who disobeyed him, made some members sleep in a chicken coop and had sexual relations with married women to "cleanse them," federal authorities said yesterday as they charged him and six others with hate crimes in hair-cutting attacks against other Amish.

Authorities raided the group's compound in eastern Ohio earlier in the day

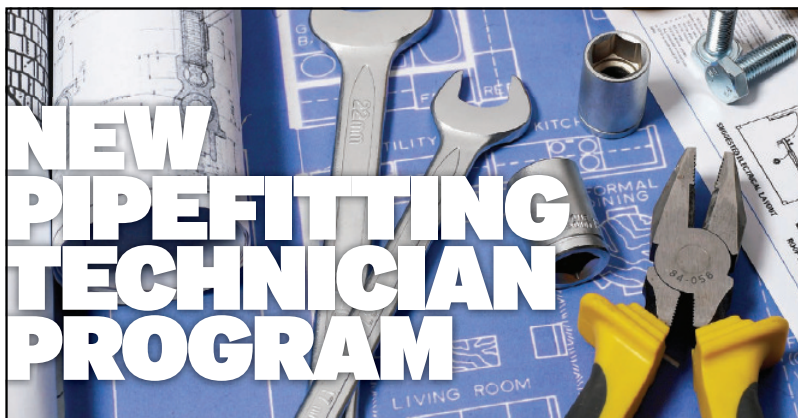
and arrested seven men, including group leader Sam Mullet and three of his sons. Several members of the group carried out the attacks in September, October and November by forcefully cutting the beards and hair of Amish men and women and then taking photos of them, authorities said. Cutting the hair is a highly offensive act to the Amish, who believe the Bible's instructions to keep them long.

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Mullet's defence

Mullet's defence attorney said that his client plans to fight the federal charges.

- ▶ Mullet said he didn't order the hair-cutting but didn't stop the crime either.
- ▶ His goal was to send a message to other Amish that they should be ashamed of themselves for how they were treating Mullet and his community.



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Obama. Turkey



► President Barack Obama stands with his daughters after pardoning Liberty, a 45-pound turkey, on the occasion of Thanksgiving, yesterday in Washington. National Turkey Federation Chairman Rick Huisling holds on to Liberty.

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Americans give thanks

About 42.5 million people are expected to drive, fly or ride trains to their Thanksgiving destinations, according to travel tracker AAA. That's the highest number since the start of the recession in 2008, despite an average 20 per cent increase in travel costs.

'Benton' sweeps Internet

► British man cursing his dog goes viral with 700,00 views ► Multiple spoofs follow

"Benton! Benton! Jesus Christ!"

That was the cry heard around the world this week, when a video of a British man cursing his dog — as the dog chases some deer — went viral. (Search for Jesus Christ in Richmond Park.)

Within hours, a spoof video had gone up: "Jesus Christ in Jurassic Park," which places the "Benton!" audio track over footage of rampaging dinosaurs.

Then more parodies hit: Braveheart, Back to the Future, Jumanji, The Lion King, Alien.

How does someone make a viral video of a viral video so quickly? We contacted the "Jurassic" creator.

"My niece put the original on Facebook when it first came out and had like



► A British man cursing his dog goes viral.



► The spoof video played over this scene in Jurassic Park.

1,000 views," says David Bow, 32, a freelance video editor from London. "It

cracked me up because I used to have a Labrador, too, and he'd always be get-



Scan code to watch Jesus Christ in Richmond Park.

ting me in to all sorts of mischief."

Bow had watched "Jurassic Park" three nights before and thought the scenes would match. The execution was done quickly: "I played three games of FIFA first so about 40 minutes."

Once posted, his parody landed on the front page of influential website Reddit, where it was rated highly.

Bow says the video became popular because, "If I'm being honest? Talent. I'm not being arrogant here but I think people recognize talent."

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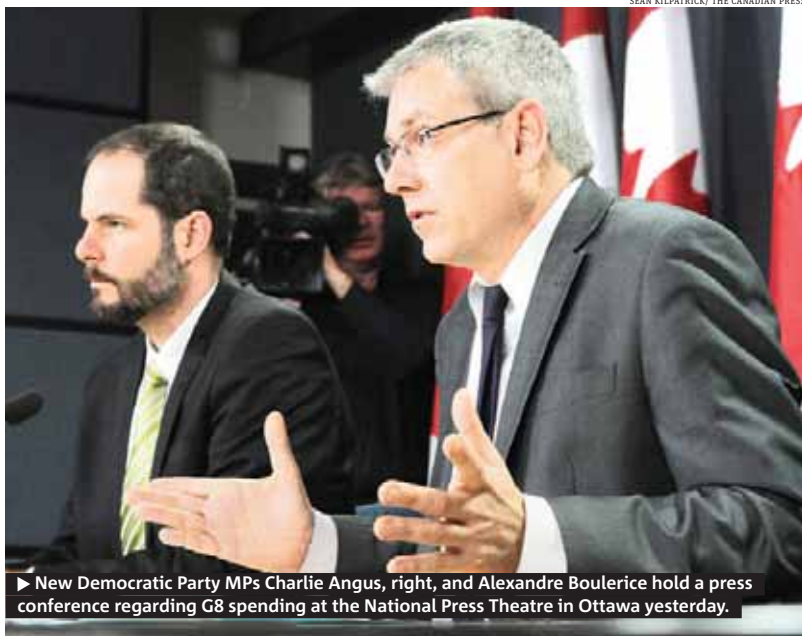
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NDP calls Clement out on G8 spending

► Minister insists he didn't carve \$50M fund to spruce up riding ► Municipal documents say otherwise

The NDP has obtained more documents that appear to contradict Tony Clement's insistence that he was not involved in carving up a \$50-million fund to spruce up his riding before last year's G8 summit.

The Treasury Board president told a Commons committee he simply played a "co-ordinating role," forwarding the wish lists of mayors in his Ontario cottage country riding to John Baird, infrastructure minister at the time, who decid-

ed which projects would get funding.

He repeated that assertion Wednesday in the House of Commons.

But New Democrat MP Charlie Angus says documents obtained by the NDP through provincial freedom-of-information legislation show Clement gave "false and misleading" testimony to the public-accounts committee earlier this month and is not fit to be in cabinet, much less in charge of the nation's treasury.

"Mr. Clement has become toxic, dead weight to this government," Angus told a news conference yesterday.

The documents show it was the manager of Clement's Parry Sound-Muskoka constituency office who put out a call to municipalities for funding applications, specifying the kinds of projects that were wanted. The email appears to be at odds with Clement's testimony at the public accounts committee.

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SCHOOL SAFETY

Mom intent on stopping kid's bully

An Ottawa mom wants the nine-year-old who threatened her daughter and brought a knife to school to be expelled because she is afraid of what will happen when the student returns to school.

Angelle Bow said her daughter, 10-year-old Haylee, was kicked in the back during an anti-bullying assembly and then

threatened after she intervened as the bully was assaulting her friend at St. Marguerite d'Youville School.

"I'm going to Google your name, make you watch, and then I'm going to kill you," the nine-year-old bully said to Haylee and her friend, said Bow.

The kid has been suspended for a few days, but Bow plans to approach the school board and the government, if necessary, to ensure the bully doesn't return.

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Baird discreet about plans

Bureaucrats told Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird to tread carefully in a meeting last month at the Vatican about his plan to set up an office of religious freedom within his department.

Documents provide a glimpse into the government's efforts to set up an office within Foreign Affairs that will monitor the persecution of religious minorities.

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Businesses, small and large, can invest: Carney

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney says growing access to capital should make Canadian businesses confident to invest, despite the financial chaos that has rocked Europe and troubling signals out of the United States.

"Given the relative attractiveness of Canada in global terms, Canadian businesses large and small can expect continued access to capital and that's extremely important because that allows to plan for the medium and long term," he said yesterday.

While Canadian trade with Europe remains relatively low, there are tremendous opportunities, even with Europe's debt crisis, Carney said. Carney cautioned against overreaction during a period of international volatility.

The head of the Montreal Board of Trade said Car-



► Carney

ney's comments are reassuring to entrepreneurs who wonder if the time is right to develop their businesses and export markets.

"The worry is when they hear that in Europe investments are slowing down and the fear is a form of contagion," said Michel Leblanc. "The answer today was reassuring that the Canadian system seems to be strong enough that Canadian businesses need not have to worry."

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Carney forecast

► Carney says interest rates may need to stay at super-low levels as the central bank continues to try and keep the economy moving.



Malls to be occupied on this Black Friday

- Targeted marches planned since camps broken up
- Hit list includes big chain stores in suburbs

Occupy protesters want shoppers to occupy something besides door-buster sales and mall parking lots on Black Friday.

Some don't want people to shop at all. Others just want to divert shoppers from big chains and giant shopping malls to local mom-and-pops.

And while the actions don't appear co-ordinated, they have similar themes: supporting small businesses while criticizing the day's dedication to conspicuous consumption and shopping that fuels big corporations. Nearly each one promises some kind of surprise action on the day after Thanksgiving — the start of holiday shopping season.

In Seattle, protesters are carpooling to Wal-Mart stores to protest with other Occupy groups. Washington, D.C., is offering a "really, really free market," where people can donate items they don't want so others can go gift shopping for free.

Others plan to hit the mall, but not for shopping. The 75-person encampment in Boise, Idaho, will send "consumer zombies" to wander around in silent protest. In Chicago, protesters will serenade shoppers with revamped Christmas carols about buying local. The Des Moines, Iowa, group plans flash mobs at three malls.

Protesters say the move-

ment shouldn't take away money and seasonal jobs from the working-class majority it purports to represent. Organizers do hope their actions direct attention to small, locally owned stores. That may not fly with small businesses wary of any association with the movement.

Trying to shop exclusively local neglects economies of scale, job specialization and other benefits that big, multi-state corporations can bring, said George Mason University economist Russ Roberts.

"Don't punish yourself by not shopping where you can get the best deal; that's foolish," Roberts said.

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It's time to get things started, so let's discuss: Why does my generation find the Muppets' return so celebrational?

My workplace has been so overrun with Muppet talk lately that one boss said he wouldn't take part in any more conversations unless they were Muppet-free. Embracing our good fortune, my co-workers and I spent days defending our favourite Muppets with a vigour most people save for discussing which is the one true religion.

Let's be honest. The which-Muppet-is-best argument is silly, especially when one considers that Rowlf is the Ultimate Muppet, or "UltiMuppet," end of story.

That truth aside, the conversation still left me wondering what it is about the Muppets that captures everyone's imagination.

Have you ever had a girlfriend or boyfriend where all the things that bugged you in other partners seemed cute in her or him? That's the Muppets.

The show is soaked in irony, but is sincere and sweet. The franchise rakes in cash, but it feels like they're doing it for free. The jokes are cornier than anything this side of Hee Haw, but it's still hilarious.

Bring a Muppet to almost anything and it improves it. If there's a Twilight: New Muppet, I'm lining up at midnight to rave about how sexy Count Von Count is. If Mel Gibson wants to make The Passion of The Kermit, I'm there. I'll even watch An Inconvenient Muppet

"Bring a Muppet to almost anything and it improves it."

Truth if Beaker is trembling at the bad news and Honeydew brings a fool-proof machine to fix global warming.

Replace Billy Joel with Rowlf, Brangelina with Kermiggy, Nickelback half-time shows with Mahna Mahna half-time shows. Life would be better.

If the Muppets were real, the world would be a simpler, less frightening place. Tell me the House of Commons wouldn't be improved with Statler and Waldorf in their balcony as the Official Opposition.

HARPER: This legislation will keep Canadians safer.

STATLER: Who keeps us safe from you?

HARPER: You guys, knock it off.

WALDORF: Actually, that speech reminded us of an article in our favourite magazine.

HARPER: Really?

STATLER and WALDORF: Harper's Bizarre!

If we all lived like Muppets, peak oil wouldn't be a problem when you can fit 40 of us in the same car. There can be no racism in a world where love exists between pig and frog. And instead of being puppets of America, we'd just be American puppets.

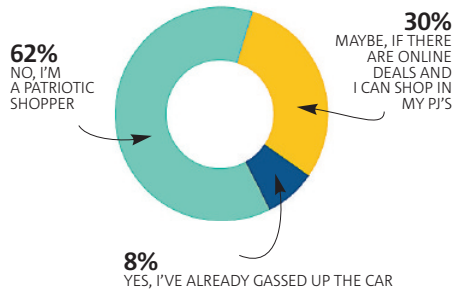
I'm not sure I've gotten to the bottom of the Muppets' appeal, but someday we'll find it, this rainbow connection. All I can say for sure is that my generation's belief in the Muppets is not cheap nostalgia, but completely felt. (Wocka wocka.)

Read more of John Mazerolle's columns at metronews.ca/hesays



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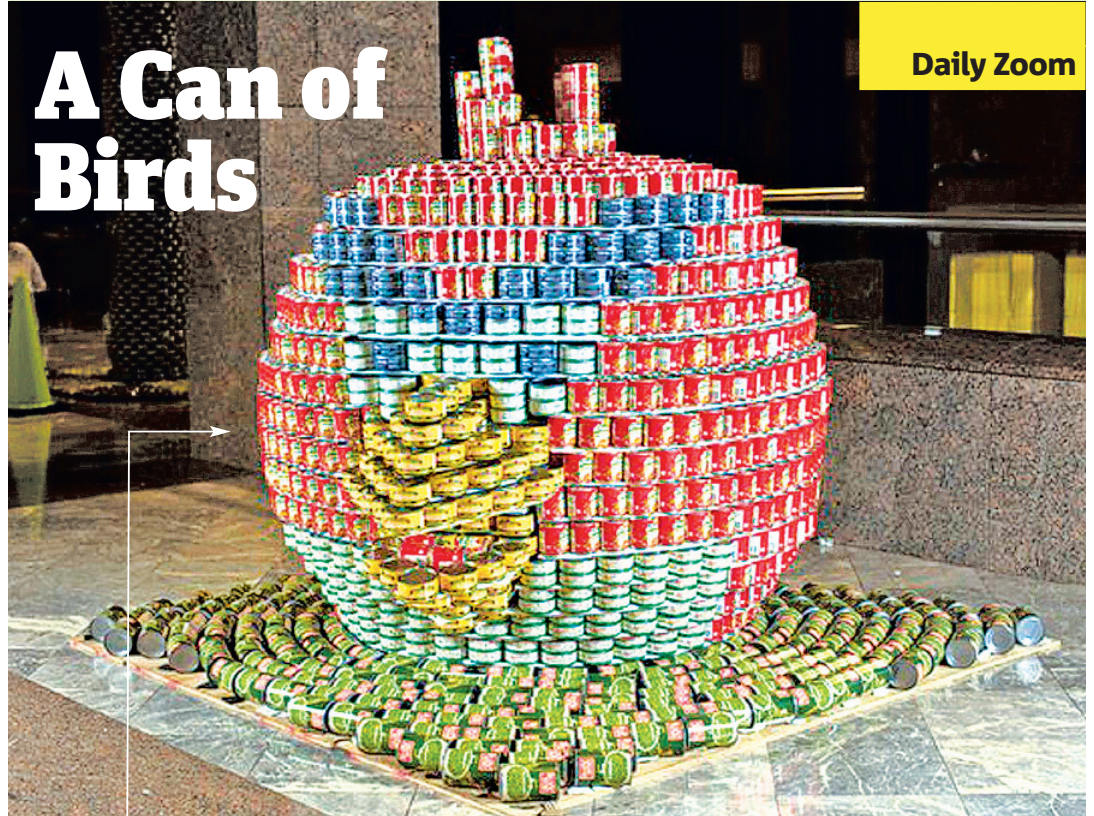
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@PrairieMill: This sloppy street weather makes me think I'm back in the #yyc!
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@5gatos: Walking the plus 15 #yyc definite increase in creepy 70's porn mos. Shiver

A Can of Birds



Daily Zoom

Stacking up a work of art

TIN CAN. This Angry Birds replica in New York City has been constructed entirely from tin cans. It and others are part of Construction, a global community service project organized by the construction industry to benefit local food banks. The annual event has been held in over 193 cities since 1992. ● MWN

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COMPETITION. The event was created by the Society for Design Administration. Spokesperson Chakshu Mehta explains the premise of the project: "The idea is to put a visual spotlight on hunger while showcasing the design." Notable creations include the head of Tutankhamen, Marilyn Monroe and Barack Obama. ● MWN

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is the average number of food cans in each 'sculpture'. Between 5 to 10 stackers work as a team for up to 8 hours to build a work. The hardest thing to figure out is how many cans are needed for each project, organizers told Metro.

Can-shaped facts

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My big fat fake wedding

► Tony and Tina's Wedding is not your typical theatre outing ► Be part of the big event

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Teacher by day, Tony by night, Carman Portelli has been part of one of Calgary's

longest productions. In fact, Tony and Tina's Wedding is one of the longest running off-Broadway shows in history and this week, we are going behind-the-scenes of Calgary's rendition on the classic.

Portelli says success comes from the years of experience the cast has in their respective roles. When they walk into the wedding pavilion, the location of the play, they take on a whole new persona.

"Some people have been doing this since 1999, so they can just turn it on and let the character take over," Portelli shares. "If something breaks during the show or someone in the audience shouts something out, these guys can just role with it without even blinking an eye."

As Portelli goes on, it becomes obvious to me the audience is actually a character in the play, especially when I learn most people dress up for the performance as if they were going to a real wedding. In fact, Portelli says that some people have pranked friends by saying that they are go-

Need to know

The details of the event.

► **The show** Show runs 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Reception includes two live wedding singers. Tickets include dinner

ing to an actual wedding.

"There was this one guy who fell for it until midway through the reception before finally blurting out 'this can't be happening — this can't be real.'"

Needless to say, this isn't a sit back and watch kind of show.

At certain points during the play, actors sit down and eat with the audience/wedding guests or take a turn spinning them around the dance floor. It really is as if you've just crashed a big Italian wedding. But, part of what makes the production so electric is that Portelli says 90 per cent of what unfolds that evening is based on the audience's reaction and interaction.

"Of course there's a script, but with this style of performance, that only takes you so far. You can't just fake it. We look at the script as more of a guideline," he says.

Tickets are \$79.95 on Ticketmaster and include dinner. Only a few shows in December still have tickets. For more information, check them out on Facebook under Tony & Tina's Wedding.



► The engagement photo of the happy couple before their chaotic wedding

Nickelback



Nickelback stars in a new video on the comedy site FunnyorDie.com. The profanity-laden clip finds Nickelback responding to an online petition set up to stop the divisive hard-rockers from playing at a Detroit Lions game on Thursday.

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A must-read from Canada Reads

► Panelists will debate book choices live on CBC Radio ► Also streamed

Actor Alan Thicke and Dragons' Den investor Arlene Dickinson are among the panellists lined up for the CBC non-fiction book debate Canada Reads: True Stories 2012.

The public broadcaster says Thicke will defend the hockey book The Game by Ken Dryden (Wiley Canada) and Dickinson plans to

push for Marina Nemat's memoir Prisoner of Tehran. Meanwhile, Juno Award-winning rapper Shad is backing the memoir Something Fierce by Carmen Aguirre.

Supermodel Stacey McKenzie will argue for On a Cold Road by Dave Bidini. And Anne-France Goldwater, star of Que-

bec's reality-TV courtroom show l'Arbitre, has chosen The Tiger by John Vaillant.

The panellists will debate the books live on CBC Radio from Feb. 6-9 to determine Canada's "must-read non-fiction title for 2012."

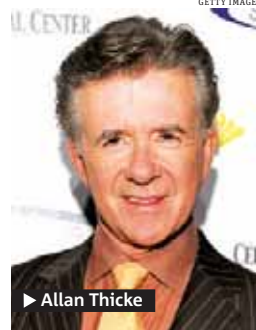
The shows will also be live-streamed on CBC Books and air daily on

CBC's documentary channel, with recap specials the following weekend on CBC-TV and CBC Radio One.

This is the first time Canada Reads has featured non-fiction titles.

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► Allan Thicke



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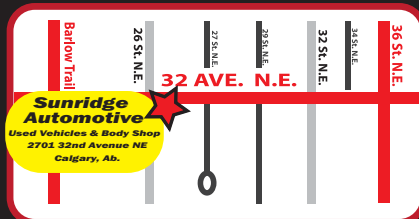
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McAvoy makes Christmas magic

► James McAvoy lends his voice for the role of Santa's son in *Arthur Christmas* ► Talks about the essential ingredient for a Christmas movie (it's not cheer)



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Having lent his voice to the upcoming movie *Arthur Christmas*, James McAvoy has some insight on the key ingredient for making cinematic holiday classics.

"That key ingredient is the threat that Christmas might not happen," said the *X-Men: First Class* star recently in a phone interview.

"It's an incredible thing — that all the kids in one night in the world get a gift by one guy.

"That myth is so hard to protect and that's what makes it so epic to do it as a movie."

That's precisely what happens in *Arthur Christmas* — an animated feature in which McAvoy voices the meek son of Santa who sets out to deliver presents to one poor child who was mistakenly overlooked by Old St. Nick.

"It's very easy for these films to be generic and al-

McAvoy

on voicing

► "It's a lot less hard work I think than making normal movies. Someone else is animating for two or three years and not sleeping very much and sweating blood," said McAvoy. "(Actors) come in (and) after

two hours we go away and they start breaking their backs again."

► "(It's) really, really rewarding and very good fun," said McAvoy. "There's nothing better than satisfaction in an audience but when that audience is a bunch of kids, it's even more special."

so to be just a little bit formulaic," said McAvoy of holiday movies.

"(But) this film is an Aardman film.

"They make *Wallace & Gromit*, *Chicken Run* and they've made *Flushed Away* and all that. And what their movies have always had is exquisite detail as well as a fantastic sense of humour and real heart."

There was certainly no shortage of detail in *Arthur Christmas*.

Featuring an army of Santa's little helpers, the filmmakers reportedly created a few hundred thousand elf characters —

even though McAvoy acknowledges moviegoers will hardly notice them all.

"The fact is, you don't appreciate how many elves there are and how many different elves there are and they've all got personalities," explained McAvoy.

"(But) that just adds to the overall thing I think and richness and integrity.

"But at the end of the day, it's really just a good fun movie with a real solid Christmas heart to it backed up by all that detail," McAvoy added.

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► James McAvoy says the key ingredient to a Christmas movie is the threat that Christmas might not happen.

What Simon says

► Simon Curtis talks about directing his first feature film ► *My Week With Marilyn* is getting lots of critic love

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Calling Simon Curtis a first-time director isn't exactly accurate, as the British filmmaker has been directing and producing — and winning awards for — work for television for 20 years. But yes, *My Week With Marilyn* is technically his first feature film. The film follows an eager newcomer (Eddie Redmayne) as he lands his first job in show business, serving as a lowly third assistant director on Sir Lawrence Olivier's collaboration with Marilyn Monroe, the Prince and the Showgirl. Curtis' film has already earned impressive acclaim — particularly for Michelle Williams' performance as Monroe — and

it heads into awards season under the stewardship of Harvey Weinstein. Not too shabby for a newcomer.

Can you talk about the casting of Michelle Williams as Marilyn?

All I can say is I just went with an instinct. I think she's a brilliant actress — a brilliant actress for bringing psychological texture to her parts — and I really like her. It was just a hunch.

It's also fascinating to have Sir Lawrence Olivier as the villain, in a sense.

I think he's definitely flawed, but I hope one ends up with sympathy for him. I didn't think of him in the sense of an antagonist, I just wish he'd done a better job supporting Marilyn. Even though she would

drive anyone crazy in terms of lateness and all that, his job was to support her.

The film deals a lot with the misconceptions about Marilyn and her intelligence level that still persist today.

Her hunger to be taken seriously as an actress — her hunger to be taken seriously, full stop — was obviously a huge driving force at this time in her life. And I love the audience when Olivier says, "Well, can't you just be sexy?" There's an audible groan. People totally get the scale of that mistake. And I do hope that people come out sympathizing with her.

Had you considered casting your wife, Elizabeth McGovern, as Vivien Leigh?

Well, she was making



► Simon Curtis says casting Michelle Williams as Marilyn Monroe 'was just a hunch.'

Downton Abbey so she wasn't really available. But let's put it this way, I know a lot about an actress, a beautiful woman, who is made to feel like her moment has passed now that she's in her 40s. I love that element of Vivien Leigh.

How is it as a "first-time director"?

Well, this is very different. It taught me that when you choose a film as a director you better be damn sure

it's going to be something you can feel passionate about. Because you're going to be in a lot of test screenings and you're going to be under a lot of scrutiny. And I've been on the journey with Harvey [Weinstein], and his passion for the film has been second-to-none, do you know what I mean?

We're heading into awards season, of course. Do you process that at all,

the early chatter?

Well, I certainly pay attention. I don't read it all because it would give me a nervous breakdown, but obviously this is a big year for films, isn't it? Much bigger than last year. Certainly with Michelle, it has been very exciting on the road with this film. People are genuinely excited to see this great American actress take on this great American icon and deliver. They feel excited about that.

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Ashton, Demi still on speaking terms

► Divorcing couple met recently at 'Kabbalah House'

While Demi Moore may have filed for divorce from Ashton Kutcher, she's apparently not done talking to him, as the pair reportedly met at the Beverly Hills home of a friend the weekend after her divorce announcement, according to *Us Weekly*.

"It's affiliated with Kabbalah, and some of the people who go there refer

to it as the 'Kabbalah House,'" a source says of their meeting place, where the couple are said to have previously visited for Kabbalah-themed marriage counselling. Kutcher and Moore arrived separately but were seen leaving at the same time.

"They seemed very sombre," the source says. But apparently Moore

has been anything but sombre since deciding to ditch Kutcher, even reportedly appearing chipper and cheerful at a nail salon the morning of the divorce announcement.

"Demi's been telling friends that it gets easier every day," a source says. "She's very optimistic."

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Spears loves chocolate, all kinds of chocolate

As Britney Spears continues her current globe-trotting concert tour, the hectic schedule is definitely taking its toll, she says.

"Trying to get up and go work out in the morning (is hard). I haven't worked out in, like, two weeks," she admits to *Stylist*.

"Sometimes it's hard to be motivated. But once you get up and do it you feel like you've conquered the world."

And when she needs a pick-me-up, the answer is "definitely chocolate," Spears says.

"I love Skors, with the caramel in the middle, and every once in a while



► Britney Spears

if I'm really hungry then a Snickers bar is good. And M&M's are great, Hershey's Whoppers are

great, Raisinettes. Twixes are great, too. And the new Hershey's Cookies & Cream." ● METRO

Celebrity tweets



Happy Holidays from my family to yours! Hope you all have a festive season filled w/ joy and cheer!



@jessicaalba

I don't know about u but I think Herman Cain's use of the word "ain't" is enough to disqualify him from the presidency.



@julianne Moore



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On my way to Beijing for the first time. Any recommendations for food, sights, traditional medicine, etc.?



@AlbertBrooks

Rumor: When Titanic is released in 3-D the ship will not sink.

The 'bad girl' belongs to Brad

Angelina Jolie has changed a lot from her wilder younger days, but she insists there's some of that still in there.

"I'm still a bad girl. I still have that inside of me," she tells *60 Minutes* in an interview.

"It's just in its place now. It belongs to Brad — or our adventures."

Jolie is just happy she made it through her more rebellious period. "I didn't die young, so I am very lucky," she says.

"For many reasons, I shouldn't be here."

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Angelina Jolie



► Olivia Wilde

Olivia Wilde getting close to Jake Gyllenhaal?

Olivia Wilde and Jake Gyllenhaal are turning heads after getting cosy during a dinner in New York this week, according to *Page Six*.

Wilde and Gyllenhaal hit up Chinatown Brasserie with a group of friends but reportedly only had eyes for each other.

"They were in a group but were very cosy, with their chairs pulled close together," a source says.

The two were last spotted together hitting up L.A.'s Chateau Marmont in June, but their reps insisted they were just friends at the time.

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A stylish story



Popular show turns a page

From TV screens to glossy magazines, the world's longest-running fashion series, Fashion Television, extended its iconic brand on Tuesday with the launch of a semi-annual magazine. ● METRO



Lady Gaga opens Gaga's Workshop at Barney's department store in New York

Miranda Kerr's thong song

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METRO WORLD NEWS IN LONDON

For the first time in her five years of walking down the runway as a Victoria's Secret Angel, the Australian bombshell Miranda Kerr had the honour of wearing the \$2.5 million Fantasy Treasure Bra. And that's just months after giving birth to her first baby with husband, Orlando Bloom. We ask her the question every woman wants to know.

Besides the \$2 million bra, what's the biggest difference between walking in a high fashion catwalk show such as, say, Balenciaga versus Victoria's Secret?

The great thing with

Victoria's Secret is they really encourage us girls to interact with the audience and show a bit of personality, so it's a totally different thing for sure, but both of them are good in their own right. The Victoria's Secret show is quite a theatrical performance. I love to be in the moment and feel the music.

You lost the baby weight ridiculously fast. Can you give us a breakdown of your daily diet?

Everyday is different but I like to start the day with a fresh green juice with kale, spinach, cucumber, beets and lemon. Then half an hour later, I have a power smoothie, which has sun warrior protein powder, chia seeds, maca powder, raw cacao, bee pollen, goji

berries, noni juice, vitamin E green and coconut water. Then an hour after that I'll have oatmeal or eggs. That's my three-course power breakfast. For lunch I might have some grilled fish with goat cheese or baby spinach salad and olives. Sometimes I'll have a sweet potato. At dinner, I'll have a lentil soup and maybe some chicken. And I love to have my salads with avocado, feta and spinach.

It sounds like a lot of careful maintenance. What does your workout regimen look like?

I've been practicing yoga for over 12 years. And after I had the baby I started doing Pilates. That was really helpful. But three weeks leading up to the VS show, I start working out five

times a week using a resistance band and leg weights.

Is the Fantasy bra heavy?

No it's not so heavy but my wings are really heavy.

Where does one go after you've modeled the \$2.5 million bra? What do the next five years look like for you?

Backstage talk

How this angel whips her skin and body into shape



Adriana Lima

"I think working out makes your skin glow. It's a natural detox. I also drink a lot of water and coconut water. For makeup, I use lots of black mascara, lip gloss and that's it."

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In the past, many Canadians flocked to their closest border crossing in order to take advantage of the U.S. deals, but rather than packing up the car, making the road trip south and waiting in lineups for hours, more and more Canadians will be journeying online for cross-border shopping deals this year.

According to a recent Ipsos



Cyber Monday — the online cousin to Black Friday — takes place on the Monday following the U.S. Thanksgiving weekend and features a number of discounts on shopping websites.

Reid survey conducted on behalf of Visa Canada, 34 per cent of Canadian online shoppers plan to

Resources

Some helpful sites to help you navigate Black Friday:

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- ▶ **TGIBlackFriday.com:** Offers one-click filters to see what popular deals are available online.
- ▶ **redflagdeals.com:** Canada's largest bargain hunting website has an entire section devoted to Black Friday deals.

shop online at American retailers this Black Friday. This is an increase of six per cent from last year.

"Over the past few years we have seen a steady increase in the number of Canadians who look for deals south of the border on Black Friday," says Stephanie Wallat, business leader for e-commerce with Visa Canada. As a result, many U.S. retailers seem to be taking notice of the Canadian interest and have extended their shipping to Canada and abroad.

In a bid to keep Canadians from cross-border shopping this weekend, some Canadian retailers are ramping up sales of their own. Toys R Us Canada announced that it's holding a half-price event this weekend. And The Bay, Zellers and Home Outfitters, Future Shop and Best Buy will also be offering special sales events this weekend.

Shopping tips

Make the most of Black Friday by following these savvy shopping tips:

- ▶ **Do your research before shopping.** Go to a retailer's site early, pick out everything you want, do price comparisons and add items you want to your shopping cart.
- ▶ **Find out the full cost of the item you want.** Borderlinx (borderlinx.com/visa/ca) provides a calculator that estimates the entire cost of a purchase, including currency conversion, taxes, duties and shipping.
- ▶ **Canadian duties on apparel are much higher than on electronics.** That could eat into some of your cross-border savings.
- ▶ **How do you know if you're really getting a great deal?** Experts say that if the item you want isn't 40 to 50 per cent off, leave it behind.



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Canadian retailers get in on the action

More Black Friday bargain hunting is beginning to happen in Canada, says an Ottawa-based marketing expert.

"Surveys across Canada show that this year, cross-border shopping is going to be down," said Brian Card, president of the Ottawa-based market research firm CRG consulting.

But that flies in the face of travel data from Statistics Canada showing same-day car trips to and from the U.S. by Canadians are at their highest level since 1998 at 7.2 million in the second quarter of 2011 and 7.1 million in the third.

BMO economist Robert Kavcic said the numbers correlate with the rise in value of the loonie versus the greenback.

He agree with Card that Canadian retailers are beginning to hold their own Black Friday sales.

● JESSICA SMITH/SEAN MCKIBBON

What's allowed

► **Exemptions:** If you're gone for a day, you get \$50 worth of goods to bring back. If you're gone for 48 hours, you get \$400. A week? \$750.

► **If you're caught smuggling:** Border services can seize your goods, fine you up to 80 per cent of their worth and take your car — and you have to pay before you get any of it back. That's if you're not arrested. ● ELISHA DACEY

17%

of Canadians say they intend to head south of the border on Friday for America's biggest shopping day of the year.

Is it worth the drive?

Hordes of shoppers, including thousands of Canadians, are gearing up to spend their hard-earned money south of the border during America's largest shopping event of the year.

Black Friday enthusiast Danielle Graydon, who heads to Bellevue, Wash., every year, says

the event is a good place to finish Christmas shopping in one trip.

"Last year I got all my Christmas shopping done for \$350," she said. "At some stores you'll get discount on top of discount. The trip is worth it because you end up saving hundreds."

Graydon describes Canada's Boxing Day as a "pathetic" alternative to America's busiest shopping day. ● KENDRA WONG

Hot items

According to Ipsos Reid, clothing and accessories will be the most popular purchases tomorrow, followed closely by books, movies and music.

Some of the

steepest price cuts are on electronics, including televisions, computers, DVD players, music players, video game consoles and small appliances. Leave home furnishings purchases until Boxing Day sales.

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D.I.Y. holiday centrepieces

► The goal: Pretty decorations that read cool and young, not old-fashioned and lame ► To start, stay away from the poinsettia plants your grandma breaks out every year and go for something a little more organic looking



KENYA HUNT

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METRO WORLD NEWS IN NEW YORK

Entertaining at home has never been trendier thanks to a shoddy economy and increasingly fashionable foodie culture.

But a string of at-home holiday parties brings up the inevitable question of how to decorate, let alone what to serve.

Enter the holiday centrepiece, which has evolved beyond its Martha Stewart associations to a cooler, edgier place, surfacing in the homes of style-y types on interiors blogs.

Here are a few quick and painless steps to creating your own.



1

To the flower market you go

Skip the grocery store and those temptingly cheap holiday themed plants. They may look like an easy way to give your place that extra yuletide oomph but they will actually send your place back to 1986, and not in a cool, retro kind of way. The selection of blooms at your nearest flower market will definitely look much better.



2

Go for variety

Choose full blooms in a Chrismukkah appropriate colour like candy apple red or wine to serve as the main attraction of your centrepiece. And then fill it out with foliage and snowberry branches, which will conjure up images of walking through a winter wonderland on your way to a log cabin. But don't get too homey and literal. Give the arrangement some edge by throwing in unexpected colours to tilt the traditional red and green colour palette just a bit off-kilter.



3

Get a little unruly

The most modern-looking arrangements look kind of wild, almost as if you stole them from your neighbour's garden — not House and Gardens magazine perfect. And yet they should still loosely follow a shape, like how the flowers above form a triangle. Prep your flowers (cut the stems at a diagonal and remove any leaves that fall below the water line) and cut them at varying lengths to correspond to your shape. Then insert into the vase at an angle, criss-crossing the stems.



4

For an extra dose of fancy, work in fruit

Go all Dutch masters on your guests by tossing a few pomegranates, oranges and red grapes in a wooden bowl and placing it next to your florals on the table. Or just casually leave the fruit on the tabletop itself, as if you dropped a few apples as you were cooking earlier, and they just happened to roll up next to the vase in an artful way.



5

Look beyond the table

In the same way that you'd string white lights all over the house, place your holiday flowers in places other than the table to achieve that full-on merry, merry look. A few suggested locations: next to the bathroom sink, on the fireplace mantel or on top of piles of magazines or books (an excellent way to distract guests from the fact that you didn't have time to put all the clutter away).

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► You're probably reading the word "centrepiece" and thinking about plastic flowers stuck in green foam on a senior citizen's dining room table. Allow these to replace that image.

KENYA HUNT/METRO WORLD NEWS

Celebrate with flameless candles

► A safer and brighter idea for holiday entertaining

The holidays are all about creating a magical mood in your home for entertaining; great music, special food and drink, and of course lots of candles to help set a festive mood.

I love to use candles everywhere around the house when having people over, but am also cautious about leaving them to burn on their own.

Flameless candles are a great option to real ones, and although you don't get some of the scents that are available with the real thing, the flicker and light that is cast would fool al-

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most anyone.

Made of quality wax or plastic resin, the candle's inside houses an LED light that flickers and is shaped like a small flame.

The tops can have the look of dripping wax coming down the sides for a tra-

ditional look or a clean-edge look for a more modern esthetic.

There is a small switch on the bottom that controls the on/off of the LED light.

Flameless candles are made in all standard candle sizes, from tiny votives to large three-wick style pillar candles.

I like the white or off-white four-inch pillar size candles as they are most classic and will be neutral enough to use year round.

As there are no safety worries with flameless candles, I like to display in places that I would never

dream of using real ones — lining them up the staircase, outside on the front porch (no worries of them blowing out on a cold windy night), on window ledges, within the Christmas tree or in guest rooms.

For a realistic candle look, place them in glass hurricanes and add some decorative touches around the base like cranberries, holly or small metallic ornaments.

You can also use a large grouping to adorn an unused fireplace; fill the empty fireplace with birch logs, glass ornaments and a vari-



► Modern flameless candles create a chic display when accessorized with other modern elements. Flameless Pillar Candle Set; Sears

ety of flameless candle sizes.

Depending on the quality of batteries that come with the candles, the LED lights burn from 24 to 100 hours.

Flameless candles take a variety of batteries; triple A and watch battery styles are most popular — it's always smart to keep some extras on hand during the busy entertaining season.

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Dear Surprised Mom,

Wool gloves, scarves and leg warmers all need to be cleaned on a regular basis. Remember anything we touch and use gets dirty from the natural oils and dirt on our hands and in the air around us.

Not to mention everything these garments come into contact with like the school bus, grocery store carts and school hallways.

So how to clean them? Well if you have a front loading washing machine you most likely have a spe-



► These are woollens. If you wear them, you must wash them.

cific cycle that will allow you to safely launder wool garments.

Note that top loaders will not always work as the centre agitator will damage the wool.

Remember to use half the amount of recommended soap, as you can always add more soap in a second cleaning but too much soap is hard to get out of the garment. Once washed, put the garment flat out on a

towel and let them dry naturally. Do not put them in the dryer, ever!

Now for those of you without a front loading machine, you can still easily wash these by hand with products such as Wool-light® in a laundry bin. Just follow the label directions. You will be shocked at what you see come out of these garments and once washed they will be fresh and clean-smelling.

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► Garden 'extenders' let you plant earlier, harvest later, even in cold places

David Whiting is a northern gardener who can't get enough of a good thing. He uses extenders to jump start his growing season in the spring and to harvest late-maturing plants after the snow falls in autumn.

"You can do a lot when you throw a cover over crops," said Whiting, a consumer horticulture specialist with Colorado State University Extension at Fort Collins. "All the heat is in the ground and these devices help recharge it during the day."

By "devices," he means cold frames, hoop houses, cloches, row covers and pop-ups, all of which create cosy microclimates that protect plants from seasonal chills.

Extenders harden indoor-started seedlings while speeding such perennials as asparagus and

rhubarb toward maturity in the spring.

They boost the energy of heat-loving plants like peppers in the summer, while sheltering salad greens, herbs and root crops well into the new year.

Here is a glance at some of these time-tested tools, which can add months to your gardening calendar.

Cold Frames: Simple structures made from wood or cement blocks with window frames or clear plastic sheets hinged or draped over the top. "Cold frames can be used year-round," said Barbara Larson, a horticulture educator with University of Wisconsin Extension. "You'll be able to harvest cool season vegetables through Thanksgiving." That would include arugula, kale, cabbage, cauliflower and leeks.

Hoop Houses: U-shaped plastic pipes or bamboo poles stuck into the ground and covered with polyethylene sheets. These greenhouses-on-the-cheap can be made tall or short, depending upon plant height.

Row covers: Polyester or fabric covers that are laid over plants yet allow light, water and air to circulate. They protect tender edibles and flowers from wind and rain damage as well as temperatures dipping to -2 C.

Cloches: Transparent dome-shaped structures with the bottoms removed that can cover single plants. "A lot of people use old milk containers, but that actually slows growth because they're opaque," Larson said. "Avoid them because they keep things cooler inside rather than warmer."

Let plants breathe

Be careful that you don't unintentionally provide too much protection.

► **Ventilation is vital:** It can get scorching hot inside the extenders during the day if they're not properly vented.

Pop-ups: Tent-like frames that can be shifted from site to site.

"They're affordable, easy to use and can protect to 25 degrees" (-4 C), said Maree Gaetani, a spokeswoman for Gardener's Supply Co., in Burlington, Vt. "Some people use them for insect protection; others for frost."

Whiting adds even more warmth into his cold frames with Christmas-tree lights and thermal space blankets. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



► These garden extender cones have holes on top to help with ventilation.



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Moroccan Lamb Tagine



► This recipe makes 6 servings.

► Bring the flavours of the Middle East to your kitchen with this easy tagine recipe for lamb

Moroccan cuisine is renowned for its delicate balance of sweet and spicy flavours.

Try this easy slow-cooker tagine recipe with some convenient grocery store items to help you during the week.

Preparation:

1 In large heavy frying pan, heat oil over medium-high heat. Sprinkle lamb with salt and pepper. Cook for 10 to 12 minutes, turning occasionally, or until browned.

2 Transfer lamb to slow cooker. Stir onions and garlic into frying pan, reduce heat to medium-low and cook for 4 to 6 minutes or until softened. Transfer onion mixture to slow cooker.

3 Stir carrots, broth and sauce into slow cooker. Cover slow cooker, turn heat to low and cook for 10 to 12 hours or until lamb is very tender when prodded with fork.

4 Transfer carrots to a bowl; set aside. Remove lamb from

Ingredients:

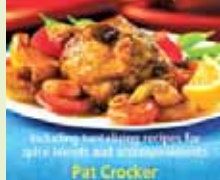
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) canola oil
- 1 boneless lamb shoulder, about 1 ½ lb (875 g)
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) salt
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) freshly ground black pepper
- 1 large white onion, halved and thinly sliced
- 2 cloves garlic, sliced
- 2 large carrots, peeled and cut diagonally in 1 ½ inch (4 cm) long pieces
- 3 cups (750 mL) sodium-reduced chicken broth
- 1 bottle (350 mL) PC Memories of Morocco Sauce

slow cooker; using two forks, shred meat. Place lamb and carrots on a platter; drizzle with sauce. Serve with couscous and hot buttered chickpeas, if desired.
Tip: Garnish with chopped dried fruit, such as apricots, figs or dates, if you like.

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150 Best Tagine Recipes (Robert Rose, 2011) by Pat Crocker offers a history of traditional Moroccan tagine cooking, including an extensive Tagine Know-How section that answers all possible questions about tagines, as well as a North African Flavour Footprint section that profiles 20 herbs and spices that provide authentic flavour.

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'Bad penalties' sink Flames

► Red Wings pounce during 5-on-3 advantage in third period ► Calgary drops second straight

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A Detroit Red Wings power play that has struggled at times this season showed signs of life last night at the expense of the Calgary Flames.

Pavel Datsyuk and Valtteri Filppula scored 1:14 apart late in the third period to break a tie and give Detroit a 5-3 victory over Calgary.

Three of Detroit's goals came on the power play, including Datsyuk's winner during a 5-on-3 advantage.

"You can't give these guys a two-man power play with eight minutes to go," Flames captain Jarome Iginla said. "Up to then it had been a good road game for us."

Veteran power-play specialist Tomas Holmstrom had two goals with the man advantage, Datsyuk added two assists and Ian White had a goal and two assists for Detroit. Nicklas Lidstrom and Jiri Hudler had two assists apiece and Jimmy Howard made 19 saves.

"Tonight, we were down a bit in the game. We stuck with our game plan," said



► The Red Wings' Tomas Holmstrom scores a goal on Calgary's Miikka Kiprusoff in Detroit last night.

Lidstrom, the Red Wings captain. "We kept shooting the puck, cut down on the turnovers and the power play really came through for us tonight."

Iginla, Brendan Morrison and Olli Jokinen scored for Calgary. Miikka Kiprusoff stopped 25 shots.

With 43 seconds to go in a Flames power play, defenceman Mark Giordano took a penalty for tripping Detroit's Darren Helm with 8:43 left. Then 33 seconds later Curtis Glencross was called for slashing Henrik Zetterberg.

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After a slow start to the season, Detroit's Pavel Datsyuk has three goals and seven points in his last three games.

Datsyuk's attempted pass went in off the skate of Flames defenceman Jay Bouwmeester with 7:21 left for a 5-on-3 power-play goal and Datsyuk's fifth of the season.

Filppula scored on a

backhand shot from the left circle with 6:07 left for his fourth goal, three seconds after Glencross stepped out of the penalty box to seal the Wings win.

"Three-three with eight minutes to go. We take some bad penalties," Calgary coach Brent Sutter said. "You do that against a team like that, it's going to kill you."

Holmstrom and Jokinen traded power-play goals early in the third period.

White tied the game 2-2, 7:38 into the second period when his harmless-looking

shot from the top of the right circle got through Kiprusoff.

Calgary scored on its first two shots of the second period, 2:12 apart to take a 2-1 lead.

Iginla tied it 1-1, 44 seconds into the middle period when he beat Howard from the bottom of the right circle off a 3-on-2 rush. It was Iginla's sixth goal. Morrison's first goal of the season came at 2:56 on a slap shot from the top of the left circle to give the Flames the lead.

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The last time Aaron Rodgers and the Packers came to Detroit, they looked like anything but Super Bowl contenders.

Of course, the Green Bay quarterback has a perfectly valid explanation for why the Lions slowed him down.

"They gave me a concussion," Rodgers said.

Rodgers recovered from that jarring December loss, leading the Packers to a Super Bowl title, but the way the Lions shut down their

"We want to make sure that the players understand the tradition of this game, its importance to the city, its place in the history of the National Football League."

DETROIT LIONS COACH JIM SCHWARTZ

NFC North rivals still resonates. This trip to Detroit to face Ndamukong Suh on the U.S. Thanksgiving holiday today could be the toughest remaining test of the regular season for the unbeaten Packers (10-0).

"Another game, another opportunity to get after an-

other great team," said Suh, Detroit's imposing defensive tackle. "They're a great offence, and one that's very potent."

It's hard to imagine now, but the Packers were actually in danger of missing the playoffs after they lost 7-3 in Detroit last season.

Rodgers left with a concussion toward the end of the second quarter, but Green Bay was sputtering even while he was in the game. Rodgers missed the following week's game, a loss to New England, but the Packers have won 16 straight since.

The last time the Lions (7-3) won their traditional holiday game was in 2003, when they intercepted Brett Favre three times in a 22-14 victory over Green Bay. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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d-Florida	21	12	6	0	3	62	52	27	5-2-0-3	7-4-0-0	6-2-0-2	W3
d-Boston	20	13	7	0	0	69	42	26	8-5-0-0	5-2-0-0	10-0-0-0	W10
Philadelphia	21	12	6	2	1	79	65	27	5-4-1-1	7-2-1-0	6-2-1-1	W1
Toronto	22	12	8	1	1	70	70	26	6-3-1-1	6-5-0-0	4-5-0-1	W1
Washington	20	12	7	0	1	66	62	25	8-1-0-1	4-6-0-0	4-5-0-1	W2
Buffalo	21	12	8	0	1	61	55	25	5-6-0-1	7-2-0-0	6-3-0-1	L2
NY Rangers	18	10	5	1	2	48	39	23	5-1-0-1	5-4-1-1	7-2-0-1	L2
San Jose	20	11	8	0	1	54	57	23	4-5-1-2	6-4-0-0	5-3-1-1	W1
Montreal	22	10	9	1	2	57	53	23	4-5-1-2	6-4-0-0	5-3-1-1	W1
Ottawa	21	10	9	1	1	62	70	22	5-4-0-1	5-5-1-0	4-4-1-1	L1
Tampa Bay	20	9	9	0	2	55	67	20	6-3-0-0	3-6-0-2	5-5-0-0	L2
Winnipeg	21	8	9	3	1	61	69	20	5-3-0-0	3-6-3-1	4-3-3-0	L1
Carolina	23	8	11	2	2	56	76	20	5-5-0-2	3-6-2-0	3-6-0-1	L3
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d-Chicago	21	12	6	1	2	71	67	27	7-1-0-2	5-5-1-0	5-4-1-0	L2
d-Dallas	21	13	8	0	0	56	57	26	8-3-0-0	5-5-0-0	5-5-0-0	W2
Los Angeles	22	11	7	2	2	54	53	26	6-5-0-1	5-2-2-1	5-3-1-1	L1
San Jose	18	12	5	1	0	57	43	25	5-3-1-0	7-2-0-0	7-2-1-0	W3
Detroit	20	12	7	1	0	58	46	25	8-2-1-0	4-5-0-0	7-3-0-0	W3
Phoenix	20	11	6	1	2	58	51	25	6-3-1-1	5-3-0-1	6-3-1-0	W1
Edmonton	21	11	8	0	2	57	51	24	6-2-0-1	5-6-0-1	4-6-0-0	W1
St. Louis	21	11	8	0	2	53	48	24	7-2-0-1	4-6-0-1	6-2-0-2	W1
Nashville	21	10	7	3	1	57	57	24	4-3-2-1	6-4-1-0	5-3-2-0	L3
Vancouver	21	11	9	0	1	61	57	23	5-3-0-1	6-6-0-0	6-4-0-0	W2
Colorado	22	9	12	1	0	56	68	19	3-8-0-0	4-4-1-0	2-7-1-0	L2
Calgary	20	8	11	1	0	45	56	17	4-5-1-0	4-6-0-0	4-6-0-0	L2
Anaheim	21	6	11	1	3	43	66	16	4-6-0-0	2-5-1-3	1-6-1-2	L5
Columbus	21	5	13	0	3	48	72	13	4-6-0-1	1-7-0-2	4-6-0-0	L1

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Tuesday's results

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Chicago at Anaheim, 4 p.m.
Ottawa at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Winnipeg at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Calgary at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

CAPITALS 4, JETS 3 (OT)

First Period
1. Washington, Semin 5 (Ovechkin, Carlson) 5:23
2. Winnipeg, Ladd 7 (Antropov, Wellwood) 13:21
3. Washington, Chimera 7 (Laich, Alzner) 13:33
4. Winnipeg, Wellwood 7 (Ladd, Bogosian) 16:30
Penalty — Stuart Wpg (interference) 5:36.
Second Period
5. Washington, Backstrom 7 (Brouwer, Orlov) 3:08
Penalties — Wheeler Wpg (tripping) 4:48, Per-
giout Wash (boarding) 11:34, Knuble Wash
(slashing) 12:14, Antropov Wpg, Laich Wash
(roughing) 12:59.
Third Period
6. Winnipeg, Little 5 (Wheeler, Flood) 12:36
Penalty — Stuart Wpg (holding stick) 2:16.
Overtime
7. Washington, Chimera 8 (Wideman, Johans-
son) 1:52
Penalties — None.
Shots on goal
Winnipeg 10 9 6 0 —25
Washington 9 14 13 1 —37
Goal — Winnipeg: Pavelec (L,7-7-4); Washing-
ton: Volkoun (W,10-4-0).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Winnipeg: 0-2;
Washington: 0-3.
Referees — Francis Charron, Kelly Sutherland.
Linesmen — David Brisebois, Tim Nowak.
Att. — 18,506 (18,398) at Washington.

CANUCKS 3, AVALANCHE 0

First Period
1. Vancouver, Malhotra 1 (Hodgson, Hansen) 17:03
Penalty — O'Brien Col (interference) 9:52.
Second Period
2. Vancouver, Burrows 6 (Hamhuis) 7:33
Penalties — D.Sedin Vcr (hooking) 0:14, Col-
orado bench (too many men; served by Lind-
strom) 2:38.
Third Period
3. Vancouver, Kesler 3, 19:30 (en)
Penalties — Wilson Col (roughing) 0:43,
H.Sedin Vcr (hooking) 7:54, Salo Vcr (delay of
game) 10:05, Hamhuis Vcr (holding) 14:41.
Shots on goal
Vancouver 16 6 7 —29
Colorado 6 8 10 —24
Goal — Vancouver: C.Schneider (W,4-4-0); Col-
orado: Varlamov (L,5-9-1). Power plays (goals-
chances) — Vancouver: 0-3; Colorado: 0-4.
Attendance — 15,538 (18,007) at Denver.

RED WINGS 5, FLAMES 3

First Period
1. Detroit, Holmstrom 2 (Lidstrom, Hudler) 6:14 (pp)
Penalty — D.Smith Cal (cross-checking) 5:18.
Second Period
2. Calgary, Iginla 6 (Tanguay, Butler) 0:44
3. Calgary, Morrison 1 (Jackman) 2:56
4. Detroit, White 4 (Datsyuk, Franzen) 7:38
Penalties — Hudler Det (hooking) 4:41, Em-
merton Det (delay of game) 17:00.
Third Period
5. Detroit, Holmstrom 3 (Datsyuk, White) 2:42 (pp)
6. Calgary, Jokinen 5 (Brodie, Bouwmeester) 5:06 (pp)
7. Detroit, Datsyuk 5 (Lidstrom, Zetterberg) 12:39 (pp)
8. Detroit, V.Filipula 4 (Hudler, White) 13:53
Penalties — Butler Cal (hooking) 0:43, Ab-
delkader Det (holding) 3:10, Morrison Cal (div-
ing), Kindl Det (hooking) 8:22, Cleary Det
(hooking) 10:00, Giordano Cal (tripping) 11:17,
Glencross Cal (slashing) 11:50.
Shots on goal
Calgary 8 7 7 —22
Detroit 8 16 6 —30

Goal — Calgary: Kiprusoff (L,8-8-0); Detroit:
Howard (W,11-5-1). Power plays (goals-
chances) — Calgary: 1-4; Detroit: 3-4.
Attendance — 20,066 (20,066) at Detroit.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Kessel, Tor	16	14	30
Lupul, Tor	11	15	26
Giroux, Pha	11	15	26
Versteeg, Fla	11	14	25
Vaneek, Buf	11	13	24
Kopitar, LA	10	14	24
D.Sedin, Vcr	6	18	24
Ma.Hossa, Chi	9	14	23
Pominville, Buf	8	15	23
Smyth, Edm	11	11	22
Nugent-Hopkins, Edm	8	14	22
H.Sedin, Vcr	7	15	22
P.Kane, Chi	7	15	22
Backstrom, Wash	6	16	22
Neal, Pgh	12	9	21
Seguin, Bos	11	10	21
Skinner, Car	9	12	21
Weiss, Fla	8	13	21
Eberle, Edm	7	14	21
Stankos, TB	11	9	20
Franzen, Det	10	10	20
T.Fleischmann, Fla	9	11	20
Spezza, Ott	6	14	20

Last night's games not included

CFL PLAYOFFS

GREY CUP

Sunday's game
At Vancouver
Winnipeg vs. B.C., 6:30 p.m., EST

FOOTBALL

CIS PLAYOFFS

VANIER CUP

Tomorrow's game
At Vancouver
McMaster vs. Laval, 9 p.m., EST

TENNIS

ATP

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SINGLES

Group A

David Ferrer (5), Spain, def. Novak Djokovic
(1), Serbia, 6-3, 6-1.
Tomas Berdych (7), Czech Republic, def.
Janko Tipsarevic (9), Serbia, 2-6, 3-6, 7-6 (6).
Standings: x-Ferrer 2-0 (4-0), Berdych 1-1 (3-
3), Djokovic 1-1 (2-3), a-Tipsarevic 0-1 (1-2), y-
Murray 0-1 (0-2).
Group B
Standings: x-Federer 2-0 (4-1), Tsonga 1-1 (3-
2), Nadal 1-1 (2-3), Fish 0-2 (1-4).

DOUBLES

Group A

Standings: x-Bryan-Bryan 2-0 (4-1), Lindst-
edt-Tecau 1-1 (2-2), Bhupathi-Paes 1-1 (2-2),
Melzer-Petzschner 0-2 (1-4).
Group B
Standings: x-Mirnyi-Nestor 2-0 (4-1), Fyrsten-
berg-Matkowski 1-1 (2-3), Llodra-Zimonjic 1-1
(3-2), Bopanna-Qureshi 0-2 (1-4).
x — clinched semi-final berth; a — alternate; y
— withdrew.

SOCCER

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

FIRST ROUND

(Home teams listed first)

Yesterday's results

Bayer Leverkusen (Ger.) 2 Chelsea (Eng.) 1
Valencia (Spain) 7 Genk (Belgium) 0
Marseille (France) 0 Olympiakos (Greece) 1
Arsenal (Eng.) 2 Borussia Dortmund (Germ.) 1
Zenit St. Petersburg (Rus.) 0 APOEL (Cyp.) 0
Shakhtar Donetsk (Ukr.) 0 FC Porto (Port.) 2
AC Milan (Italy) 2 Barcelona (Spain) 3
BATE Borisov (Belar.) 0 Viktoria Plzen (Cze.) 1

SCOTLAND

(Home teams listed first)

PREMIER LEAGUE

Celtic 2 Dunfermline 1

ITALY

(Home teams listed first)

COPPA D'ITALIA

Fourth Round

Bologna 4 Crotone 2
Chievo Verona 3 Modena 0

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	3	0	.700	293	203
N.Y. Jets	5	5	0	.500	228	217
Buffalo	5	5	0	.500	237	253
Miami	3	7	0	.300	193	186
SOUTH						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	7	3	0	.700	273	166
Tennessee	5	5	0	.500	203	195
Jacksonville	3	7	0	.300	125	180
Indianapolis	0	10	0	.000	131	300

NORTH						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	7	3	0	.700	256	176
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	220	179
Cincinnati	6	4	0	.600	236	195
Cleveland	4	6	0	.400	145	193

WEST						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	6	4	0	.600	235	254
Denver	5	5	0	.500	205	247
San Diego	4	6	0	.400	236	259
Kansas City	4	6	0	.400	144	252

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	6	4	0	.600	250	206
N.Y. Giants	6	4	0	.600	228	228
Philadelphia	4	6	0	.400	237	213
Washington	3	7	0	.300	160	205

SOUTH						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700	313	223
Atlanta	6	4	0	.600	235	218
Tampa Bay	4	6	0	.400	182	268
Carolina	2	8	0	.200	225	286

NORTH						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	10	0	0	1.000	355	212
Detroit	7	3	0	.700	301	219
Chicago	7	3	0	.700	268	207
Minnesota	2	8	0	.200	200	271

WEST						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	9	1	0	.900	256	145
Seattle	4	6	0	.400	168	209
Arizona	3	7	0	.300	190	236
St. Louis	2	8	0	.200	120	247

WEEK 12

Today's games

All times Eastern

Green Bay at Detroit, 12:30 p.m.
Miami at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.
San Francisco at Baltimore, 8:20 p.m.
Sunday's games
Arizona at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Houston at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Washington at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
Denver at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.
New England at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Kansas City, 8:20 p.m.
Monday's game
N.Y. Giants at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Agreed to terms with
OF Grady Sizemore on a one-year contract.
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Agreed to terms
with assistant general manager Matt Klement
on a multiyear contract.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Agreed to terms with
C Ryan Doumit on a one-year contract.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Claimed C Brian
Jeroloman off waivers from Pittsburgh.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Agreed to terms
with OF Brandon Boggs, RHP Kyle Cofield,
RHP Jose Diaz, C Jake Fox, RHP Shairon Mar-
tis and INF Stefan Welch on minor league con-
tracts.

FOOTBALL

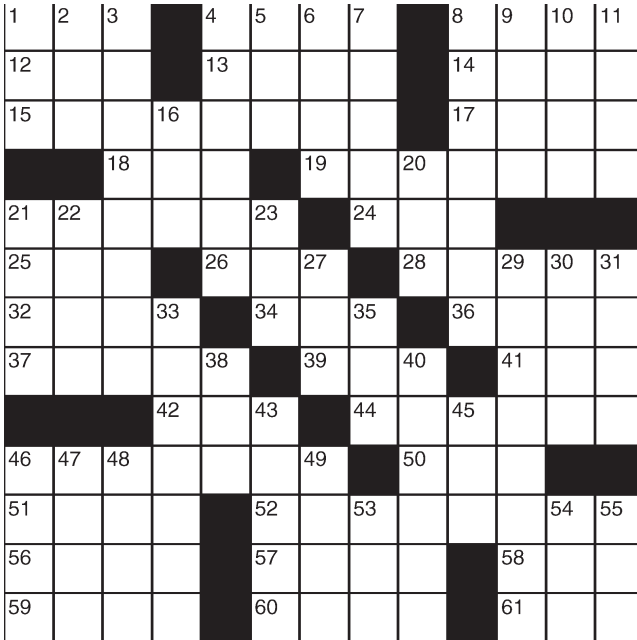
NFL

BUFFALO BILLS — Placed RB Fred Jackson on
injured reserve. Signed RB Tashard Choice.
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Signed LB Bruce
Davis to the practice squad.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Waived S Ross
Ventrone. Signed OL Donald Thomas. Re-
signed CB Josh Victorian

Crossword

Across

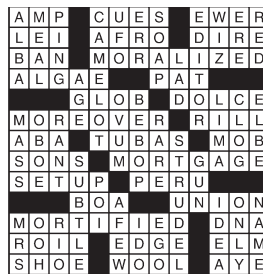
1 Household member
4 Shock
8 Baby bed
12 Retirement plan acronym
13 Acknowledge
14 Humdinger
15 Sports fans' party site
17 With dexterity
18 Journey segment
19 Blue quality
21 Light colour
24 Frat-party need
25 Matterhorn, for one
26 Slight touch
28 Staff members?
32 Pacific rings?
34 Standard
36 Bar
37 Red Square tomb occupant
39 Hee follower
41 Rage
42 Silent
44 Deceived
46 Lottery payment, perhaps
50 Legislation
51 Eye part
52 Exhaust outlet
56 Gambling game
57 Mexican entree
58 Pen point
59 Verve
60 Old World duck
61 Society newcomer
Down
1 Trench
2 Geological period
3 Severe decline
4 Rough, as rocks



5 Eggs
6 Oodles
7 Adapt slightly
8 Din
9 Cartoonist Goldberg
10 Troubles
11 Purchases
16 Allow
20 Lair
21 Cover of gloom
22 Sheltered
23 Once around the track
27 Scrooge's cry
29 Aid when airborne
30 Hibernia

31 Coaster
33 Springfield surname
35 Aries
38 Greek consonants
40 Cricket-bat wood
43 Mongrels
45 Fool
46 Board game, ce-real or magazine
47 Caspian Sea feeder
48 Actress Sorvino
49 "Just the facts, —"
53 "Rocks"
54 Slapstick missile
55 Recede

Yesterday's answer



Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

9	7	4	8	5	1	2	3	6
1	3	5	6	2	4	8	9	7
6	2	8	9	7	3	5	4	1
5	6	2	7	1	9	4	8	3
8	9	7	3	4	2	6	1	5
4	1	3	5	6	8	9	7	2
3	5	9	1	8	6	7	2	4
2	8	6	4	3	7	1	5	9
7	4	1	2	9	5	3	6	8

A look at the weather

TODAY	TOMORROW	SATURDAY
Min -4° Max 3°	Min 0° Max 4°	Min -2° Max 4°

Andrew Schultz, Meteorologist

"I get to spread the word on how your day, evening or weekend will shape up with our ever-changing weather here in Alberta." WEEKDAYS 5:30AM



Today's horoscope

♈ Aries March 21-April 20 If you keep in mind at all times that there is no such thing as a "sure thing" you won't go far wrong.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 If friends and family choose to oppose you don't push the issue. They'll come around eventually.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 If you try to have everything perfectly planned before you start a project, chances are you won't get started at all.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You will do the exact opposite of what others expect of you today.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23 Anyone who tries to tell you that you are going about something in the wrong way will be treated with your usual Leo disdain.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22 You want to be taken seriously by your peers, but that will only happen if you are clear in your own mind what it is you believe.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 There's a whole world out there waiting to be dazzled by your brilliance.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 You will be the centre of attention for quite a while to come.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Do you take on more work or do you enjoy more leisure time? Only you can decide.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Before you move ahead with a creative project it might be wise to get some input from those whose advice you trust.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Deep down you know there is something underhanded going on.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

Don't put your hands over your ears and pretend you can't hear.

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